Massachusetts Executive-Level Traffic Records Coordinating Committee (METRCC) Meeting Minutes

Date/Time	Tuesday, July 21, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	
Chair	Curtis Wood , Undersecretary of Forensic Science and Technology for the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS)	
Participants	Carlos Cannon, Boston Police Department Maria Cheevers, Boston Police Department Deputy Superintendent John Daley, Boston Police Department Gregory Denton, Merit Rating Board Officer Casey Hatchet, Brookline Police Department Michael Kass, Department of Public Health/ Office of Emergency Medical Services Art Kinsman, EOPSS/Highway Safety Division (HSD) Lieutenant Andrew Klane, Massachusetts State Police Kenneth Miller, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	Karen Perduyn, Registry of Motor Vehicles Bonnie Polin, Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT), Highway Division Matthew Poirier, Federal Motor Carrier Administration Robin Riessman, UMassSAFE Barbara Rizzuti, EOPSS/HSD Sheila Smith, Boston Police Department Alex Wagner, Fisher College Paul Windle, EOPSS, Program Management Office Casey Woodley, EOPSS/Program Management Office (PMO)
Location	Ashburton Café Conference Room, One Ashburton Place, Boston	
Meeting Objectives	 Approve minutes from the March 21, 2014 meeting Provide updates to the METRCC on projects being conducted to improve crash reporting 	

Welcome and Introductions

Undersecretary Curtis Wood welcomed the attendees and everyone introduced themselves.

Review/approval of March 21, 2014 meeting minutes

The minutes from the March 21, 2014 meeting were approved.

Motor Vehicle Automated Citation and Crash System (MACCS) – Paul Windle, iCJIS Program Management Office, Executive Office of Public Safety and Security

Paul Windle and Casey Woodley provided an update on the MACCS project (PowerPoint attached). They provided an overview of the project and discussed some of the features, such as the Public Safety Data Analytics Platform and Tool (ADAPT). They also gave the committee an update on the pilot projects and explained what the next steps are. They mentioned that the timeline has been pushed back because of the cancellation of the RMV's Automated Licensing and Registration System (ALARS) modernization project.

There was also discussion about adding the Massachusetts State Police's crash causation data to MACCS.

EOPSS/PMO will be meeting with the Boston Police Department to discuss piloting electronic citations.

Crash Data System - Karen Perduyn, MassDOT/RMV Division

Karen Perduyn said that 180 police departments are reporting crashes electronically to the RMV. However, there have been some issues because some departments have changed workstations. When this happens, it seems as if the information is being sent to the RMV, but they are not receiving it.

The RMV is working on providing data quality reports for departments that submit electronically. Reports that measure timeliness, error and completeness will be sent to chiefs and others in the department who submit the data. This information will also be available to stakeholders.

Boston Police Department's Crash Reporting Improvement Project - Maria Cheevers, Office of Research and Development, Boston Police Department

Maria Cheevers provided an update on some of the Boston Police Department's projects (PowerPoint attached). In her position, Maria oversees all of the research projects and submits many of the grant applications for the department. She mentioned that Carlos Cannon will be working on the transportation projects for the department. Their hope is to start Data Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS) in January 2016.

Presentations from current Traffic Records subgrantees

Massachusetts State Police (MSP) - Crash Data Quality Project

Robin Riessman provided an update on the project (PowerPoint attached). She mentioned that some of the issues she is working on are: inconsistent information on the number of people injured, empty fields on the form, crash classification and occupant injury status. MSP is working on data quality reports and new instructions for supervisors. UMassSAFE and MSP will provide their recommendations for improvements once the project is complete.

<u>Fisher College - Crash Reporting Training and Technical Assistance for Law Enforcement Agencies</u>

Alex Wagner and Officer Casey Hatchet provided an update on their current project. They will be working with the Massachusetts Association of Crime Analysts (MACA) to identify police departments that need assistance with reporting their crashes to the RMV and then they will work with subject matter experts to provide technical training to the departments. The hope is that working with sworn police officers will give this project more credibility and that departments will be more likely to accept assistance.

Other business/upcoming events

Bonnie Polin mentioned that Massachusetts will be hosting the next Northeast Transportation Safety Conference in June 2016.

Wrap-up and adjourn